CHAPTER 368

## **GOVERNMENT - COUNTY**

HOUSE BILL 14-1313

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) McLachlan, Becker, Fischer, Ginal, Hullinghorst, Labuda, Lebsock, Mitsch Bush, Pabon, Rosenthal, Schafer, Williams, Young; also SENATOR(S) Nicholson.

## AN ACT

CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE OWNER OF A PET ANIMAL PROVIDE A VALID RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO REGISTERING THE ANIMAL WITH A COUNTY.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-15-101, **amend** (1) (a) introductory portion and (1) (a) (I) as follows:

- **30-15-101. Pet animal control and licensing.** (1) (a) The board of county commissioners of any county may adopt a resolution for the control and licensing of dogs and other pet animals as provided in this part 1. Such THE resolution may:
- (I) Require licensing of dogs and other pet animals by owners and impose reasonable conditions and fees on the same. No registration permit or license shall be issued by any board of county commissioners unless and until the owner of a dog, shall exhibit CAT, OR FERRET EXHIBITS to such THE board or designated official a valid rabies vaccination certificate indicating the dog, CAT, OR FERRET has been vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. The county dog PET ANIMAL control resolution may exempt dogs, CATS, OR FERRETS below a specified age from licensing and registration or vaccination requirements, or both; except that the recommendations of the department of public health and environment shall be followed concerning the minimum age for such THE vaccination.
- **SECTION 2.** Act subject to petition effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of

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this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: June 6, 2014